Historic Newton Seeks Nominees for 2011 Newton Preservation Awards

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Historic Newton, in collaboration with the Newton Historical Commission, is seeking nominations for the 2011 Newton Preservation Awards for preservation projects that restore, repair, save, or maintain the city's historic resources. Submissions, which include a nomination form and supporting materials, are due at Historic Newton no later than September 16, 2011.

Eligible projects may include: the rehabilitation of a historic house or building; a sensitively designed addition to a historic building; education projects which increase awareness of Newton's architectural heritage; individuals and organizations which have excelled as stewards of historic properties and materials. You may also nominate individuals to receive the Thelma Fleishman Personal Achievement Award, which honors one person each year who has made an outstanding contribution to preserving Newton's buildings or historical collections.

Newton is known for its wide array of buildings, from colonial through Victorian, art deco through modern. History imparts character to the city and enhances all of its neighborhoods. As Senior Preservation Planner Brian Lever puts it, "Historic preservation is good for the whole city of Newton."

All projects for consideration for the 2011 Newton Preservation Award must be located in Newton, Massachusetts. All architectural projects must have been completed between September 1, 2008 and September 1, 2011. Nominations in all other categories may be in progress or continuing projects. Photographs of completed architectural projects are mandatory. Nominations submitted in previous years that were not selected to receive an award may be revised, expanded, and resubmitted.

Nomination forms are available at the Historic Newton website at: http://www.historicnewton.org/

You may submit the form electronically or print it out to complete it and mail it to: Newton Preservation Awards, Historic Newton, 527 Washington Street, Newton, MA 02458

You may fax your application to: 617-552-7228

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Historic Newton, is the umbrella name for the Newton Historical Society, Inc. (a 501(c)3 organization), Historic Burying Grounds Preservation, Durant-Kenrick House and Grounds, and

the City of Newton's Jackson Homestead and Museum. For additional information please visit www.historicnewton.org

DATE CUT-OFF FOR BUILDING? 1960? 1980?!

The awards will be presented to the building owners

Nominate projects by September 16, 2011.

The award goes to the owner of the restored property, not to the architect.

Meeting next Wednesday at 4.

Mailing went to a list of all the architects in Newton.

Told Mass. Historic Preservation list serve.

Awards to home owners not architects. Maybe have a logo for the award to be posted on a sing or on the "winning" architect's website.

They get a framed certificate.

Jay Walter is an architect.